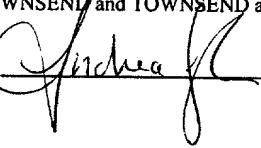


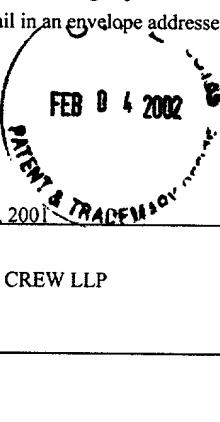
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Application No.: 09/894,862

Filed: June 27, 2001

For: A COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN  
METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
DEVELOPING A MICROFLUIDIC  
SYSTEM

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Sir:

Pursuant to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, dated August 21, 2001, enclosed are the following to be made of record in the above-identified application:

- 1) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
- 2) Petition to Extend Time
- 3) Transmittal to Formal Drawings
- 4) 23 Sheets of Formal Drawings
- 5) Copy of Notice of Missing Parts

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(b) Excess Claims Fees (§ 1.16(b), (c)):

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$693.
  - \$333 for 37 total claims over 20.
  - \$360 for 9 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1113.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
  - Drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, and copy marks.

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